

Reference FCC Docket No. 03-66, RM-10586

Dear Secretary Dortch:

I am a long time ITFS broadcaster having administered ITFS systems in Milwaukee, Wisconsin starting in the mid 1960's and currently in Louisville, Kentucky (WBX-203, D1-D4) and was instrumental in establishing highly successful distance education programming in Houston, Texas during the 1970's.

The University of Louisville ITFS serves three metropolitan campuses in the 16th largest city in the United States. We have used ITFS for delivery of post secondary education telecourses, connecting the university to the local catv headend to broaden the

distribution of telecourses serving the Metroversity (a consortium of seven higher education institutions), as a last mile vehicle for distribution of satellite delivered continuing professional education, teleconferences, intercampus administrative meetings, and special events.

Diminution or dilution of the intended mission of ITFS is unacceptable. In this era of "no child left behind", it is imperative ITFS be reserved to serve the educational foundations for which it was designed. As such, I respectfully support the NIA/CTN comments for the New Band Plan and Current Educational Eligibility Requirements for ITFS licencees.

Respectfully,

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